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REMARKS

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1. On 3 August 1951, the Hindenburg Kaserne in Stendal (M 53/Y 65) was lighted, except for four buildings, while the Taubenrieden Kaserne and the Albrecht der Baer Kaserne were fully lighted. [redacted] most of the troops stationed in Stendal were at the post. No training was observed. * 50X1-HUM
2. Three generals, who were billeted in the restricted area on Friedrich Ebertstrasse, were repeatedly observed. They rode in staff car [redacted] 50X1-HUM
3. At about 8 p.m. on 4 August, the heavy AT artillery unit which had left on 27 July returned to Stendal. Twelve prime movers, each towing a 100-mm AT gun, went toward Dorstel, while 10 prime movers with 10 AT guns moved into Hindenburg Kaserne. This was the first time that AT guns were observed in the Hindenburg Kaserne.
4. A convoy of 15 trucks, one towing a field kitchen, was observed on Breitenstrasse at about 11 p.m. on 4 August, coming from a southerly direction. Each truck was occupied by 20 to 25 soldiers. 50X1-HUM

* Comment. The information indicates that most of the troops stationed in Stendal were at the post on 3 August 1951. One of the reasons for the reduced occupation of Hindenburg Kaserne may be the absence of 890th Indep Engr Bn of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps, which is quartered in the installation, and is now possibly at the river training site at Bittkau. 50X1-HUM

** Comment. The Hq LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps is believed to be located in the restricted area. 50X1-HUM

*** Comment. [redacted] a convoy of 22 prime movers with 100-mm AT guns moving from Stendal toward Tangermünde on 27 July 1951. It is possible that these guns belong to the 730th (Gun?) Arty Bn of the 207th Itz Rifle Div. 50X1-HUM

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